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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE
1. AS YOU KNOW FROM THE TWO "PLATT-TELS" I SENT YOU, THE
FUKUDA VISIT WENT WELL. THE JAPANESE WERE SATISFIED;
FUKUDA HANDLED HIMSELF IMPRESSIVELY; AND THE US PERFORMANCE
WAS EXACTLY WHAT WE WANTED. THE ONLY SURPRISE WAS THE
ALMOST TOTAL LACK OF AMERICAN PUBLIC INTEREST (NO PRESS
COVERAGE EXCEPT IN THE FINANCIAL PAGES). BUT THE JAPANESE
COULDN'T HAVE IT BOTH WAYS -- THE LACK OF PRESS ATTENTION
HERE WAS A COROLLARY OF FUKUDA'S NOT BEING SUBJECTED TO
PUBLIC PRESSURE SO SOON AFTER THE STRAUSS-USHIBA COM-
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2. ON CHINA MATTERS, ZBIG HAS DECIDED ON, AND OKSENBERG
AND I HAVE INFORMED THE CHINESE THAT WE PROPOSE TO HAVE
THE FOLLOWING ACCOMPANY DR. BRZEZINSKI TO PEKING:
HOLBROOKE, OKSENBERG, GLEYSTEEEN, ABRAMOWITZ, HUNTINGTON,
ARMACOST, AND HUBERMAN. WE ALSO TOLD THE CHINESE ZBIG
HOPES THAT THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SOME TETE-A-
TETE DISCUSSIONS WITH CHINESE LEADERS. FINALLY, WE GAVE

THE CHINESE A SCHEDULE WHICH WOULD HAVE US ARRIVING IN PEKING AT 11:30 AM ON THE 20TH AND DEPARTING AT 9:00 AM ON THE 23RD, BUT WE INDICATED THAT ZBIG WOULD BE WILLING

TO CONSIDER AN ADDITIONAL DAY IN CHINA IF THE CHINESE DESIRE (FOR TRAVEL WITHIN CHINA).

3. I TOOK YOUR GOOD ADVICE AND DID NOTHING BUT GRIMACE WHEN I LEARNED THE TRAVELING PARTY'S MAKEUP. I DID EXPRESS SOME DISMAY OVER THE CONCEPT OF TETE-A-TETE DISCUSSIONS IN MY TALK WITH MIKE, BUT I DID NOT GO BEYOND STATING MY OPINION. ANYWAY, THE MILK IS ALREADY SPILLED. I HAVE REEMPHASIZED TO MIKE THAT IN TERMS OF AT LEAST TONE AND STYLE, IF NOT SUBSTANCE, I TAKE ISSUE WITH THE NSC APPROACH TO THE SINO-SOVIET RELATIONSHIP. I INTEND TO SPEAK FRANKLY BUT NOT TO BE ABRASIVE BECAUSE I THINK WE ARE BETTER OFF BEING MEMBERS OF THE PARTY.

4. ON CHINA PAPERS, YOU WILL BE HAPPY TO KNOW THAT WE HAVE AN AGREED DRAFT ON THE NORMALIZATION PAPER WHICH IS BEING TYPED SO THAT THE SECRETARY CAN HAVE IT WHEN HE GETS BACK FROM MEXICO SATURDAY. HE WILL ALSO GET THE BASIC LEGAL PAPERS, AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN PROCEED WITH THE IDEA OF GETTING AN OUTSIDER TO LOOK AT THEM NEXT WEEK. OTHER PREPARATIONS FOR THE CHINA, JAPAN
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AND KOREA VISITS ARE UNDERWAY. A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF WORK IS REQUIRED. I HAVE BEEN SO SWAMPED THAT I FEEL RATHER UNCOMFORTABLE ABOUT THE STATE OF PLAY, BUT I AM SURE WE WILL PRODUCE ALL THE NECESSARY THINGS. WHEN YOU GET BACK, I AM GOING TO HAVE TO DEVOTE FULL TIME TO THE PROCESS.

5. THE DAEDALUS BUSINESS IS VERY MESSY. WE MET WITH ADMIRAL INMAN YESTERDAY. I THINK HIS OPPOSITION WILL ULTIMATELY DETER US FROM TRYING TO MAKE AN EXCEPTION. HAROLD BROWN'S JUDGMENT WILL BE VERY IMPORTANT, BUT EVEN IF HE WERE WILLING TO RECOMMEND AN EXCEPTION I AM NOT SURE THE PRESIDENT WOULD AGREE. IF WE TAKE A TOUGH NEGATIVE POSITION, DAEDALUS MAY STILL BACK DOWN AND SETTLE FOR HALF A LOAF. IF DAEDALUS DOESN'T, WE WILL HAVE A PRICKLY SITUATION ON OUR HANDS.

6. TOM SHOESMITH IS NOT INTERESTED IN REPLACING MORT. WOULD YOU TELL MORT THAT I HAVE TOLD DAVE MCGIFFERT. YOU MAY ALSO WISH TO CONFIRM TO HIM THAT HE IS A MEMBER OF THE TRAVELING PARTY.

7. ADMIRAL WEISNER HAS TRIED TO GET YOU BY PHONE TO URGE THAT ADMIRAL MILLER (ONE OF THE SEVENTH FLEET ADMIRALS) BE ALLOWED TO VISIT TAIWAN IN CONNECTION WITH THE "FOOD CHAIN" CPX SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ROUGHLY COINCIDENT WITH THE BRZEZINSKI VISIT. THERE

IS NO PROBLEM WITH THE CPX'S TIMING BECAUSE THERE IS NEVER ANY PUBLICITY, BUT THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH MILLER'S GOING TO TAIWAN. WHEN WE AGREED TO THE CPX, WE PROPOSED AND DEFENSE AGREED THAT THIS YEAR'S EXERCISE SHOULD EXCLUDE OFF-ISLAND FLAG OFFICERS. IF WE GO ALONG WITH WEISNER'S LAST-MINUTE EFFORT TO CHANGE THE RULE, WE WOULD BE UNDERCUTTING A HARD-EARNED BATTLE WITHIN THE BUREAUCRACY, AND WE WOULD HAVE MILLER IN TAIPEI AT AN
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INOPPORTUNE TIME (UNLIKE THE CPX, HIS VISIT COULD NOT BE KEPT COMPLETELY UNPUBLICIZED). ON THE OTHER HAND, THERE IS THE QUESTION OF YOUR PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH WEISNER. PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR VIEWS KEEPING IN MIND THAT WE WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH MILLER'S VISITING TAIWAN AFTER THE CPX.

8. FINALLY, HARRY BARNES HAS ASKED EVELYN COLBERT TO CHAIR A SELECTION BOARD THAT WILL REVIEW CLASSES FSO/RV-5 AND FSSO-3 AND BELOW (NOT A CATEGORY INVOLVING EA). THE PANEL WILL BE IN SESSION FROM FOUR-SIX WEEKS BEGINNING JUNE 13. THE TIMING COULD NOT BE MORE AWKWARD FOR EA OR FOR EVELYN. THE BOARD WILL BE IN SESSION WHEN YOUR FRONT OFFICE CHANGEOVERS WILL BE TAKING PLACE AND WHEN EVELYN SHOULD BE AROUND TO GET HER FEET FIRMLY ON THE GROUND (AND TO GET HER PROPER SHARE OF THE EMPIRE AS IT IS BEING DIVIDED). I SUSPECT BARNES WILL BE VERY STICKY ABOUT GIVING UP EVELYN AS A CHAIRMAN BOTH BECAUSE SHE IS VERY WELL QUALIFIED AND BECAUSE SHE IS A WOMAN. YOU WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO DEAL WITH THIS WHEN YOU GET BACK, BUT IF YOU GIVE ME YOUR VIEWS URGENTLY I CAN AT LEAST PUT A FOOT IN THE DOOR.

9. TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF AND ALL THE EA ESTABLISHMENT TRAVELING WITH YOU. BEST REGARDS.

10. P.S. THE KOREAN SITUATION IS STILL INFLUX. THE HIRC VOTED BY A RATHER CONVINCING MARGIN TO INCLUDE THE TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION IN THE SECURITY ASSISTANCE BILL, AND THE SENATE MAY FOLLOW SUIT NEXT WEEK. ALL SORTS OF DELAYS ARE STILL POSSIBLE, HOWEVER, BEFORE THE ISSUE COMES TO A VOTE ON THE FLOOR. I AM CALLING IN AMBASSADOR KIM ON MONDAY TO LEAN VERY HARD ON HIM REGARDING
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THE KIM DONG JO BUSINESS BECAUSE I KNOW FROM PETER WHITE
THAT OUR TIME WITH JAWORSKI HAS ALMOST RUN OUT. CHRISTOPHER

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